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School Sacred Concert Superior Event

The fifty-first annual Sacred Concert of the Northfield Schools will be held in the Auditorium of the Northfield School for Girls on the afternoon of Sunday, May 13. This traditional event will be under the direction of the Schools' choral director, Albert R. Raymond, who will be assisted by Miss Marion Keller, of the Northfield faculty in directing and accompanying and by Carlton W. L'Hommiedeu of Mount Hermon as an accompanist. The orchestra will be under the direction of Milton J. Aronson. The participants will be more than 1000 students from the two schools and special numbers will be rendered by various groups and choirs.

Preliminary announcement has been made of a joint orchestra concert to be given by the Northfield and Hermon orchestras in the auditorium on Sunday afternoon, April 22, under the direction of Mr. Aronson. Both concerts will be open to the public.

College Exams Here

College Entrance Board examinations for this area will be held on April 7 in Skinner Gymnasium at Northfield School for Girls. Students from Mount Hermon and possibly other nearby schools as well as Northfield will participate in the one-day test.

This will be the third year the CEB examinations have been held on the one-day wartime basis instead of the prewar plan under which the tests occupied a week. The new plan consists of a three-hour scholastic aptitude test in the morning and three one-hour achievement tests in the afternoon. The achievement tests consist of English and two electives.

The prewar plan required four three-hour tests in the course of the week and usually necessitated the presence of the student for a week of preliminary study.

Mrs. Mallery Passes Summer Resident Here

Mrs. Mary Buchanan Burr Mallery, widow of Rev. Charles Gilbert Mallery, former pastor of the Van Nest Reformed Church of Peekskill, N. Y., died in Baltimore, Md., at the home of her son, Mr. and Mrs. Blackwell Burr Mallery, on Wednesday, March 7. She was born in New York City 86 years ago. She was a daughter of Charles E. Burr, a New York merchant, and a descendant of Jehue Burr, who came to this country from England in 1630 and also of Col. Robert Blackwell of the Revolution. For over 40 years Mrs. Mallery has been a summer resident of East Northfield with the family cottage off Winchester Road. She had been keenly interested and devoted to the many Bible conferences which have been held here. She is survived by three sons, Blackwell B. Mallery of Baltimore, Charles G. Mallery, Jr., of this town, and Rev. Richard P. Mallery, pastor of the Reformed Church at Kew Gardens, N. Y.; a sister, Miss Margaret Burr of New York, and four grandchildren. The late Prof. Charles H. Burr of Williams College was a brother.

Announce Engagement

The engagement is announced of Miss Helen Irene Wozniak, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Wozniak of West Northfield and Corp Delbert Mason, son of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Mason of Kezar Falls, Me. Miss Wozniak graduated from Northfield High School and from Framingham Teachers College. She taught school here for a time and resigned to accept similar work with the junior high school at Sagamore. Corp Mason has just returned from nearly three years of service in the South Pacific area. No date has yet set for the wedding.

Dog tags and licenses are ready at the office of Town Clerk Mrs Haskell on Warwick Road.

Lt. Paul Ladzinski Is Reported Killed

Lieut. Paul Ladzinski, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Ladzinski of Maple Street, who spent a furlough at his home here last December and who went overseas with his infantry unit in January, has been reported as having been seriously wounded and dead as a result of the injuries in Germany on February 24, according to a telegram from the War Department.

Lieut. Ladzinski entered the army in April, 1943, and received his training at Fort McClellan, Ala. He received his commission last November. He was born November 23, 1918, and graduated from the high school in 1936. Surviving besides his parents are a brother and four sisters.

World Youth week is to be observed March 21 to 28. In Boston there is to be a big festival with a program of speeches and music and social events. The advancement and training of youth is to be stressed by the enlistment of responsive leadership.

Pvt. Robert L. Fuller of this town, who recently returned from overseas duty, is at the distribution station at Lake Placid, awaiting a new as-

Gladdening News Of Private Murray

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Murray of South Vernon received a letter this week from their son, Pvt. Ernest G. Murray, reported missing since December 16 in Germany, stating that he is in good health. The letter was dated January 17 and was believed to have been written from a German prison camp, although Pvt. Murray did not say he was a prisoner.

He was inducted into the army in December, 1943, and had served in England and Belgium before going into Germany.

signment. He has seen 5 months of service in the French campaign in the European theater of war. He entered service in October, 1942.

The Unitarian Women's Alliance were guests for their regular meeting on Thursday, March 8, of Mrs. George N. Kidder at her home on Parker Ave. Mrs. Kiler was assisted by Mrs. Charles Streeter as a hostess.

Mrs. P. W. Hart, widow of a former editor of The Press, is now located in Chicago and sends her greetings to her many friends here.

Ration News Items

New England Regional OPA urges all local farm slaughterers to notice that they are required to report to the local rationing board on Form R-1609 revised, if they sell any meat they so slaughter, or any farm butter, to consumers, and to turn in the points so collected with their report. Your local board is expected to check carefully on this regulation.

Of interest to all dealers of firewood should be the following ceiling prices on that commodity. Four-foot hardwood firewood delivered on the buyer's premises is \$15.00 per cord, \$7.75 per half-cord, and \$4.25 per quarter-cord. The same is cut-up cord, 12, 16, or 24-inch lengths, on buyer's premises, is \$17.00 per cord, \$8.75 per half-cord, or \$4.75 per quarter-cord. A service charge of \$2.50 per cord, \$1.50 per half-cord, or \$1.00 per quarter-cord may be charged if, at the buyer's request, the wood be carried into his house or covered outbuildings. An additional charge of \$1.50 per cord, \$1.00 per half-cord or 50 cents per quarter-cord may be charged if, at the buyer's request, the wood be neatly piled at a place he designates. Each sale must have a sales slip containing date, name and address of buyer and seller, quantity of wood, price and services, if any.

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Camp Sale Disturbs Some At Forest Lake

For many years the Northampton YMCA has conducted a camp for men and boys at Lake Forest in Winchester, but for reasons of their own decided to sell and secure a new location nearer to their community. Many citizens of Northfield have visited the camp and been its guests. After being offered for sale, Rev. James Robinson of New York, pastor of the Church of the Master, desired to purchase as a location for a camp for colored boys.

The Rev. Mr. Robinson has visited in Northfield frequently and during the summer months has preached in local churches and his group of campers have participated in the services. His campers were located in Winchester and were guests of the local hotel. It is expected that the sale will be made but it now appears that a local group in Winchester desires to purchase also because of prejudice against the new camp for negro children, who will largely come from the Harlem district of New York City.

Moderator Made Error

At the recent annual town meeting of a nearby community, the articles of the warrant were being considered and upon a motion being made, that the salaries of elected town officers be the same as last year the moderator offered the same for decision. However, when the motion was repeated by the moderator for the vote, the word elected was omitted in error. No one present noted the discrepancy and the vote was so taken with unanimous approval. So now it looks as if no salary change will be scheduled for this year in that town. Proof again that the moderator of a town meeting must "know his stuff."

A daughter, Sharon Lee, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Winfred R. Fellows of this town at the Franklin County Hospital on Sunday, March 4, grandson to Mr. and Mrs. Alton Miner, former residents here.

The missionary society of the South Vernon Church has become the sponsor of a display of the flag on the church grounds by making a presentation.

Town Topics

A daughter was born to Staff Sgt. and Mrs. John Plotczyk at Burlington, Vt., on Saturday, February 24. Granddaughter to Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Plotczyk of West Northfield. Sgt. Plotczyk and his wife reside in Vergennes, Vt.

The will of the late Isabella C. Thompson of this town, who died May 10, 1943, has been filed in Probate Court. She names her sister, Mrs. Margaret T. Davis, as sole beneficiary.

The revival meetings of the Free Methodist Church held since February 28 in Grange Hall each evening with Rev. Herbert J. Gabriel as evangelist have been very interesting and were well attended. The message of salvation was brought to many hearers.

In Talcott Library on the campus of the School for Girls there has been a showing of some 64 watercolors, oils and crayons by the artist, Gustave Wolf, which have been much admired by the students and visitors.

The young son of Mr. and Mrs. Leander Kirk, Paul Kirk, is confined to his quarantined home with scarlet fever.

The local Health Council held a meeting at the Town Hall Monday afternoon, March 12, and conferred with the town nurse on health conditions in the community.

Nurse Becomes Lieutenant

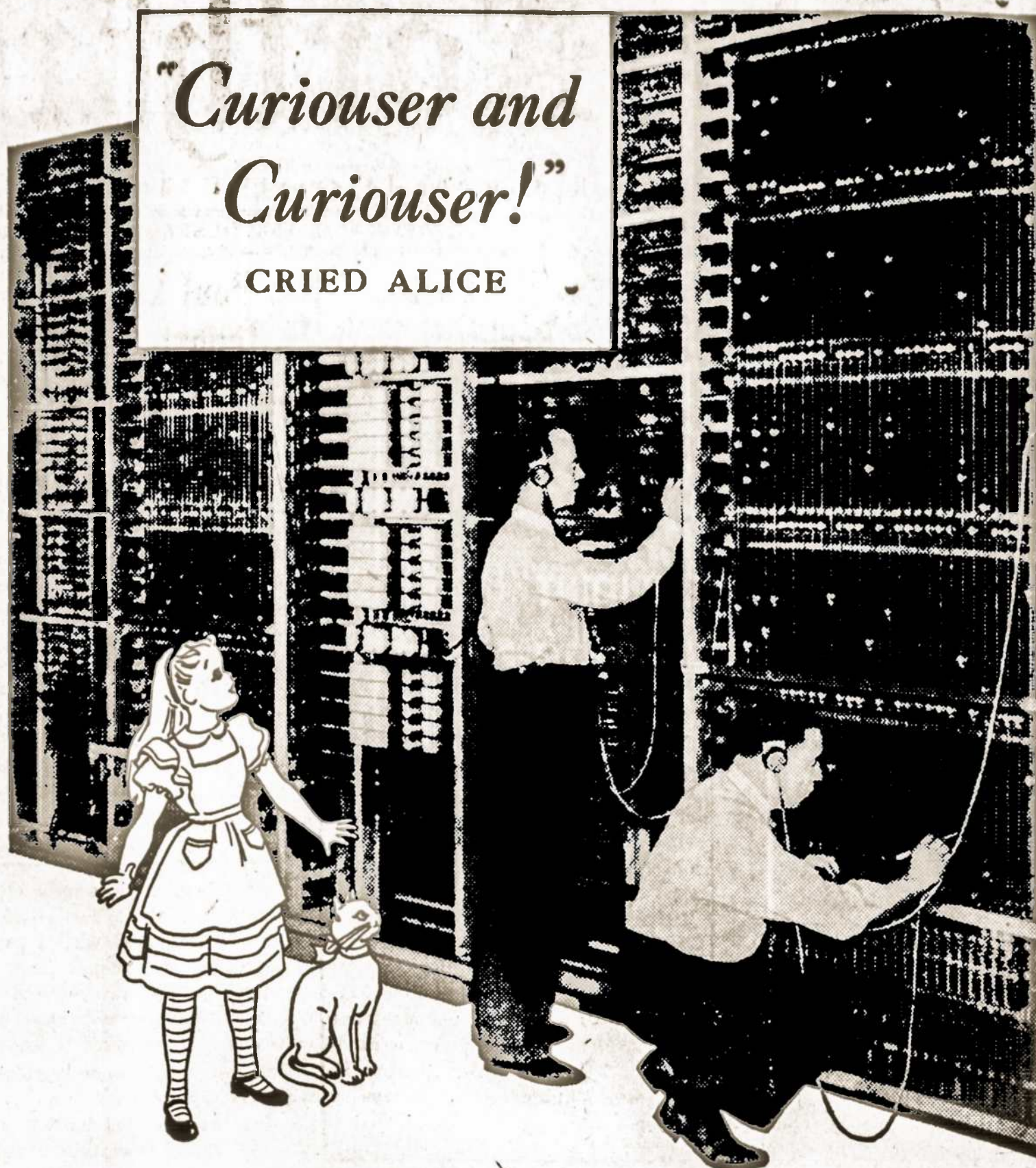
Miss Beverly C. Briesmaster, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick H. Briesmaster, who enlisted in the Army Nurse Corps in February, has now been commissioned a second lieutenant and ordered to active duty. She reported for basic training at Brooke General Hospital, Ft. Sam Houston, Texas.

Lieut. Briesmaster is a graduate of Northfield High School and St. John's Hospital School of Nursing in New York, class of 1943. For a year following she was on the operating-room staff at that hospital and for a brief period did private duty nursing.

The Dairymen's Association of the county held an all-day meeting at the Grange Hall on Thursday, March 15. Women of the local Grange served a dinner.

"Curiouser and Curiouser!"

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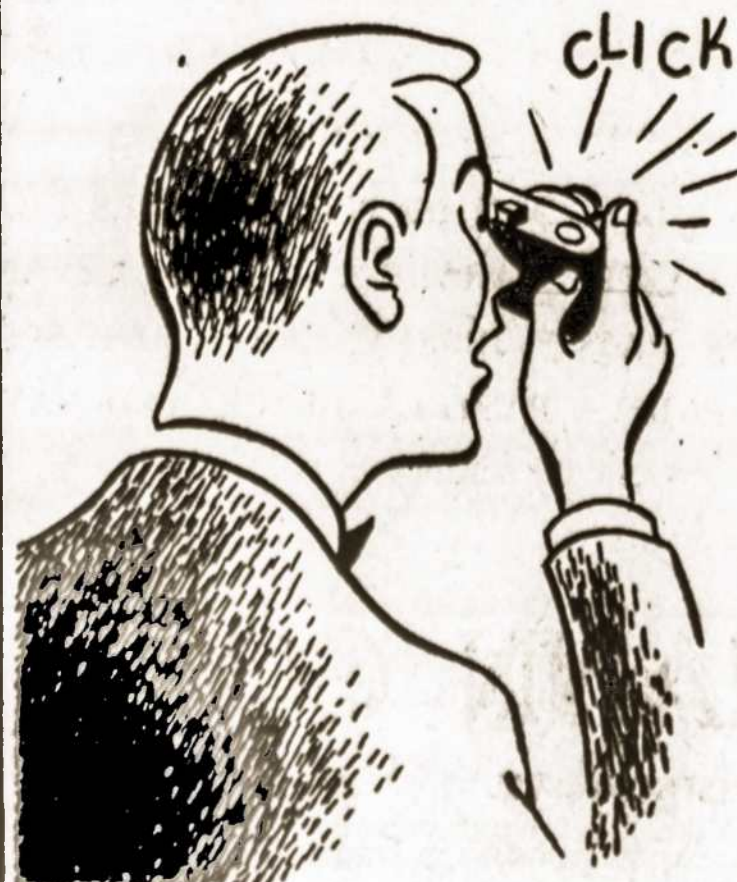
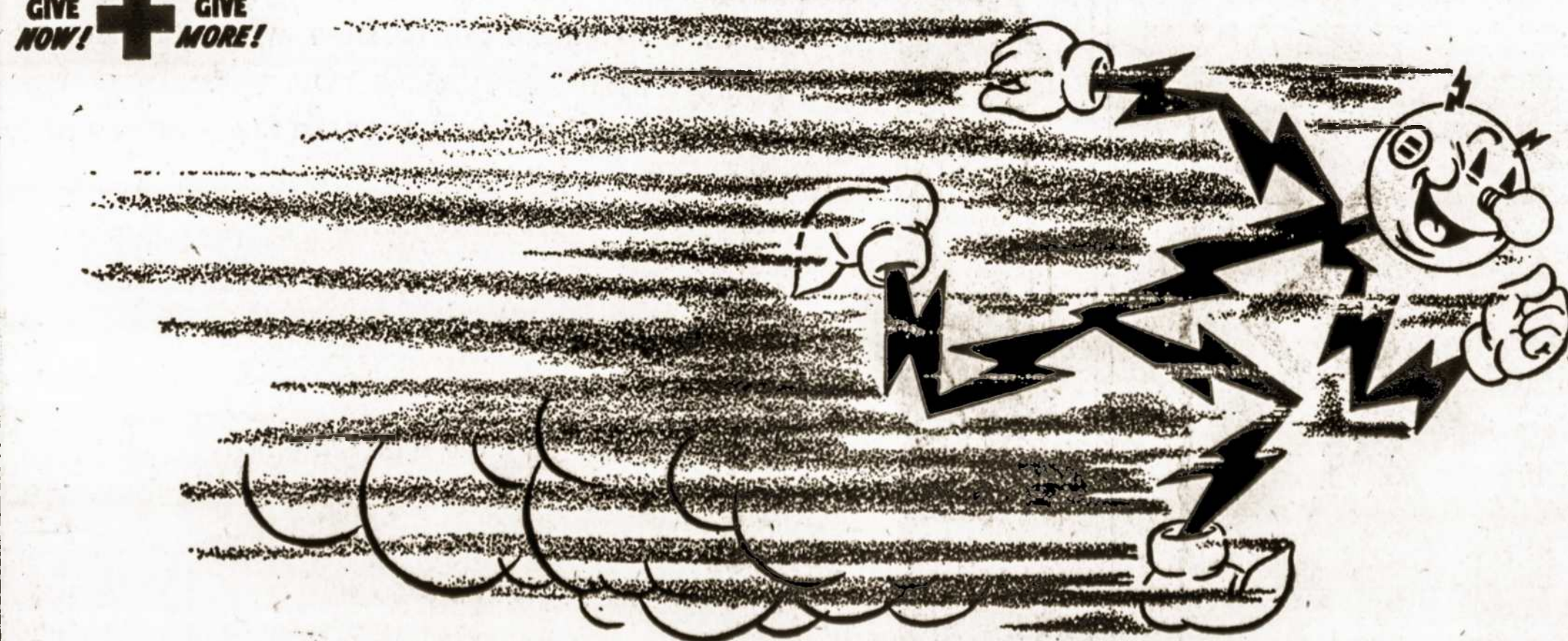
this for use in certain places where traffic has become especially heavy. This is just part of a carefully planned program to care for New England's growing telephone needs and civilian construction halted by war.

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Mrs. Grace C. Cornell of Winchester Road writes from St. Petersburg where she has spent the winter that she will return to reopen her home about May 1st.

Rev. Benjamin R. Andrews, chaplain of the School for Girls, will conduct the morning service in Sage Chapel Sunday, March 18.

Dr. William E. Park was guest speaker Thursday evening, March 15, at the University of New Hampshire at an assembly of Religious Emphasis Work. Dr. Park spoke on "Religion and Education" and afterward participated in a faculty and student discussion.

Sergt. Herbert C. White is spending a short leave with his wife and child at their home here. He has been at Kingman, Ariz., and will report at the end of his furlough to Laredo, Tex., for special training.

Winthrop James, who is a corporal in the service and son of Mrs. Harry James of Brattleboro, former residents of this town, shipped from Seattle, Wash., for duty overseas early this month.

Members of the local WCTU will meet Wednesday afternoon, March 21, at the home of Mrs. Newton and Mrs. Griggs on Winchester Road for an interesting program.

Anna Solasz, Sic, of the WAVES stationed at Miami and Corp. Violet Solasz of the WACS at Fort Benning, Fla., with their brother, S/Sgt. John Solasz, who has been overseas 30 months, are spending their granted furloughs with their mother at her home on Burt Hill just beyond the town line in New Hampshire.

Town Topics

A series of four military whist parties are to be held at Masonic Hall, the first of which was held Wednesday evening, March 14.

The deep snows and ice is gradually melting in a slow process because there has been no unusually warm weather. As a result the danger of flooding is less likely to happen.

The Editor has been informed by Mr. Fitt, our local insurance agent, that war damage policies in force on February 28, 1945, are considered extended extended for twelve months without payment of premiums or other charges.

The next regular meeting of Harmony Lodge of Masons will be held on Wednesday evening, March 28, at which time Richard A. Hiller, former member of the State Police, will give a talk on the work of that department. The Lodge of Instruction is scheduled to meet in Greenfield on the evening of May 15.

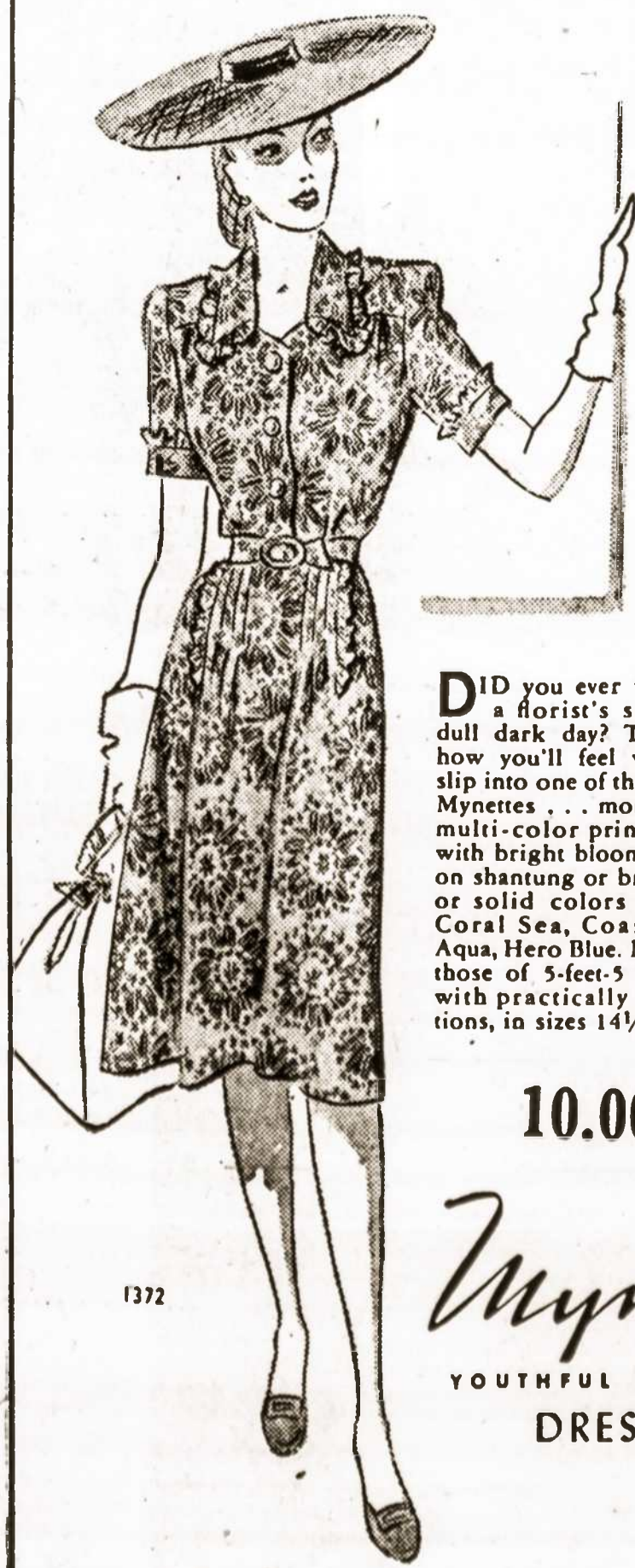
A chimney fire in the Proctor Block in the Avery apartment last week gave the local fire department some concern last week when it communicated with the woodwork of the partition. However, the damage was not serious.

Tech. Sgt. Robert Huber is spending a 30-day furlough at the home of his parents after having been on duty with the Marines in the Mariannas in the South Pacific for the past year. He has been in the service for ½ years and is to be reassigned.

Rev. Robert Mildram of Mount Hermon faculty was the preacher at the Unitarian Church here on Sunday, March 11.

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Town Topics

Mrs. W. B. Wells and Mrs. Ross L. Spencer, who are members of the home service section of the County Chapter of the Red Cross, attended a meeting of county representatives in Greenfield Monday to consider important matters relating to veterans and their families.

Tech. Sgt. John E. Phelps, who was sent overseas in army duty last September, is in France with the 26th division under General Patton. His wife and young son are at the home of his mother, Mrs. Florence Phelps, on Main Street.

Rev. Parker B. Holloway of Morristown, N. J., prominent summer resident of Rustic Ridge, has just completed six years as superintendent of the Paterson district of the Methodist Church and in April will begin his work as pastor of the Methodist Church at Madison, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Baldwin and daughter Catherine of Longmeadow were registered at the Northfield Hotel last week for a short stay.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Miner Carpenter of this town at the Franklin County Hospital on Thursday, March 1.

It is almost impossible to get about among the many homes of our summer residents in the hilly woodlands. There are no broken paths and snowshoes or skis are necessary to travel about. Snow covers most houses to a depth of from one to three feet. It is quite impossible to take rental prospects around.

Miss Betty Jean Purrington, daughter of Mrs. Hazel Purrington, has been elected vice-president of Lawrence House at Smith College. She is in the sophomore class. She will assume her duties immediately as members of the House Council and social chairman.

Mrs. George H. Sheldon and Mrs. Carroll H. Miller are representing the County Extension service in a series of three meetings on garment work at Alexander Hall. The first meeting attended by 24 women was held Monday evening, March 5, and the next session will be the evening of March 26.

Mrs. Laura M. (Lyman) Hale, age 92, widow of Edward Everett Hale of Bernardston, died Monday, March 5, at the home of her son, Berton E. Hale, in Springfield. She was a native of Northfield, born July 5, 1852, the daughter of John and Malinda (Smith) Lyman.

This one about the teen-age young lady who refused to hang up any holiday mistletoe is still good. She explained, "I've got too much pride to advertise for the ordinary courtesies one has the right to expect."

Observing that a repairman who had fixed a tire for him was rolling in the length of the garage, a motorist yelled: "Hey, pick that thing up! What d'ya want to do, wear it out!"

Little Roger came home from Sunday school with a mite box.

"Why do they call it a mite box, mother?" he asked.

"Because," chirped in his brother, "you might put something in it and you might not."

Mother: "Now, Jane, dear, what makes you think your new photographs are so terrible?"

Jane: "All my girl friends are asking for one, and the boys don't."

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A Poem From The Front

Dear Mom—I write to tell you I'm
As well as I can be,
And got your lovely letter that
Was forwarded to me;
And as I read it o'er and o'er
It gives me so much joy
To write and say I'm glad you're
proud
Of every soldier boy.

Dear Mom—It's praise like that that
\ cheers
Us on each day and night
And gives us what it takes to war
For what is just and right;
And don't forget each soldier here
In khaki and in blue
Is also proud to save and serve
His flag and country too.

Dear Mom—I know you ask the Lord
Each hour of the day
To be our guide and shield us from
The peril of the fray;
And knowing this we carry on
Until the war is won.
So keep that smile you wore the day
You said, "God bless you, Son."

Dear Mom—I've to cut this short
By saying, "I'm just fine"
Because I hear the tramp of march
And I must fall in line;
So don't forget to tell the folk
To pray a little more
Because it takes the stuff that comes
From prayers to end the war.

From your loving Soldier Boy.

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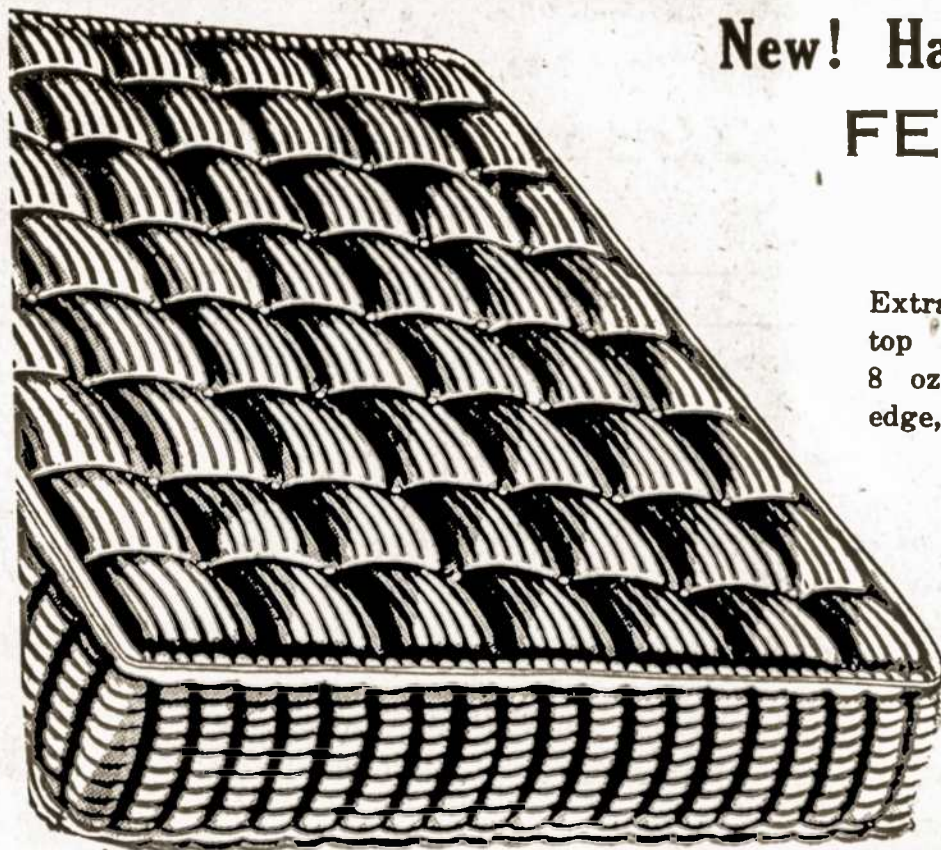
Students of the Northfield School for Girls recently were privileged to study Russian-American documentary material. A study report was presented by Elizabeth Delano and by Katherine Moody. A study of Latin-American relations was taken up the following week just before the vacation period.

George R. Hanna, a former teacher at Mount Hermon School, now has the rank of captain in the intelligence corps of the army and is serving in the Philippines. He entered the service in July, 1941, and has been overseas since July of last year.

Pvt. Robert Johnson is at his home for a short furlough. He is stationed at Camp Croft, S. C.

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Sun.-Wed. March 18-21 HERE COMES CO-EDS Abbott & Costello Peggy Ryan Martha O'Driscoll	Sun.-Mon. March 18-19 SEVENTH CROSS Spencer Tracy Signe Hasso	
Thurs.-Sat. March 22-24 BETWEEN TWO WOMEN Van Johnson Gloria DeHaven Lionel Barrymore	Tues. March 20 IMMORTAL SERGEANT	
	Wed.-Thurs. March 21-22 NOTHING SACRED	
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